

Claims:

1. A patient support comprising
a frame,
a mattress supported by the frame, and
a siderail configured to move relative to the frame, the siderail including a rail member and a compliant member coupled to the rail member, the rail member and the compliant member cooperating to block egress of a patient from the mattress, the compliant member being configured to move relative to the rail member when the compliant member moves into contact with an object during movement of the siderail relative to the frame.
2. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the compliant member is slidably coupled to the rail member.
3. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the compliant member is pivotably coupled to the rail member.
4. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the compliant member is biased in a first direction and contact with the object moves the compliant member against the bias.
5. The patient support of claim 4, wherein the compliant member is biased by a spring.
6. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the compliant member extends from the rail member.
7. The patient support of claim 6, wherein the compliant member moves into the rail member when it contacts the object.
8. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the rail member includes a pocket and the compliant member is at least partially positioned in the pocket.
9. The patient support of claim 1, further comprising a second siderail including a curved end surface, wherein the compliant member and the rail member of the first-mentioned siderail cooperate to define a curved end surface that complements the curved end surface of the second siderail.
10. The patient support of claim 1, wherein the rail member has a bottom wall and the compliant member has a bottom wall that is substantially co-linear with the bottom wall of the rail member.
11. A patient support comprising

a frame,

a mattress supported by the frame, and

a siderail configured to move relative to the frame between a first position and a second position, the siderail including a first rail member and a second rail member coupled to the first rail member and cooperating with the first rail member to block egress of a patient from the mattress, the second rail member being spaced apart from an object when the siderail is in the first position, the second rail member contacting the object when in the second position, the second rail member moving relative to the first rail member when the second rail member moves into contact with the object.

12. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the second rail member is slidably coupled to the first rail member.

13. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the second rail member is pivotably coupled to the first rail member.

14. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the second rail member is biased in a first direction and contact with the object moves the second rail member against the bias.

15. The patient support of claim 14, wherein the second rail member is biased by a spring.

16. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the second rail member extends from the first rail member.

17. The patient support of claim 16, wherein the second rail member moves into the first rail member when it contacts the object.

18. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the first rail member includes a pocket and the second rail member is at least partially positioned in the pocket.

19. The patient support of claim 11, further comprising a second siderail including a curved end surface, wherein the second rail member and the first rail member of the first-mentioned siderail cooperate to define a curved end surface that complements the curved end surface of the second siderail.

20. The patient support of claim 11, wherein the first rail member has a bottom wall and the second rail member has a bottom wall that is substantially co-linear with the bottom wall of the first rail member.

21. A patient support comprising
a frame,

a mattress supported by the frame, and

a siderail configured to move in a direction relative to the frame from a first position to a second position, the siderail including a first rail member and a second rail member that cooperates with the first rail member to block egress of a patient from the mattress, the first rail member being configured to move in the direction when the siderail moves in the direction, the second rail member being configured to move in the direction when the siderail moves in the direction until contacting an object and ceasing movement in the direction.

22. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the second rail member slides relative to the first rail member when the second rail member contacts the object.

23. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the second rail member pivots relative to the first rail member when the second rail member contacts the object.

24. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the first rail member continues movement in the direction after the second rail member ceases movement in the direction.

25. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the siderail further includes a spring that compresses after the second rail member ceases movement in the direction.

26. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the siderail blocks egress of a patient from the mattress when in the first position and permits egress of a patient from the mattress when in the second position.

27. The patient support of claim 21, wherein the mattress is in a substantially flat position when the siderail is in the first position relative to the frame and in a seat position when the siderail is in the second position relative to the frame.